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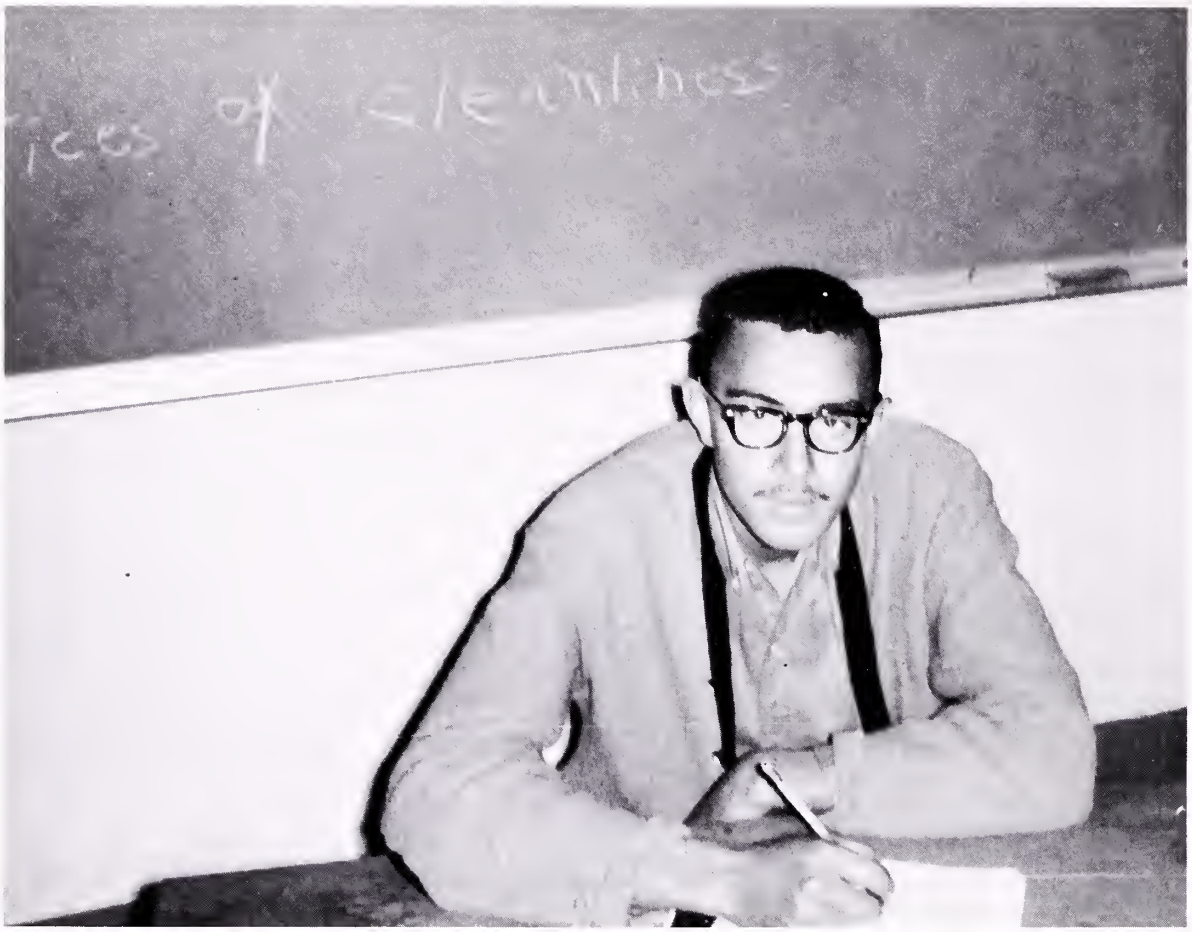

Foreword

Time changes many things and later the meaning changes along with time. We have tried to capture some of the moments that have been instrumental in building the memories of the past year at Dear old Essex High.

The cream of our school days is yet to be skimmed by the unseen fates that await us in the future. We know not how we shall be judged, but we have thrust forth our purest hands.

As we turn the following pages, we see the moving forces that have made for a certain exactness in the pattern of our school lives.

Success and failure, crises and decision, time and circumstances, bittersweet happiness of class-work, chit-chat on the campus, these little things, among countless others, are what we remember most from our school days at Essex High.

Editor
Wayne Jeter

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Honorarium

Mr. Faulk, we have chosen you from the many commendable persons that we have become acquainted with during our four years at Essex County High School because your sincere devotion has inspired us to such a great extent.

We are honoring you because you are a man who has given so much of your knowledge to others; because you can tolerate the views of others; because you have the ability to disagree without becoming disagreeable; and because you are a man whose former students respect and admire your efforts to make Essex High a better place to live and learn.

To Mr. Joseph Finton Faulk, with a spirit of sincere humility mixed with the joyful pride of achievement, The Senior Class is privileged to honor you with the 1964-1965 Tiger.

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Principal's Message

My sincerest congratulations go to the yearbook staff, its sponsors and the senior class for this publication. I am grateful and appreciative of the manner in which this project has been conducted. This year's annual encompasses and reflects a degree of uniqueness. The faculty advisors and sponsors of this yearbook were new to this task and though reluctant, nevertheless, accepted this challenge with unprecedented vigor and a determination to do those things and make those changes that would contribute to the total improvement of this publication. The initiative, cooperation and perseverance that the members of this yearbook staff exhibited could only be labeled remarkable and these qualities served to enhance the total efforts which combined to make this yearbook one of which we all at Essex High are proud.

My earnest thanks and appreciation are extended to the Faculty, Parents and students who through cooperation and understanding have confirmed their convictions that quality education is the best hope for the future democratic society. Although a review of this yearbook is expected to bring to memory those pleasant and lighter moments that have always characterized school life, it is hoped that this year's book will keep all mindful of the ever growing importance of education and kindle a dedicated determination within all of its readers to lend unlimited support to the cause of education.

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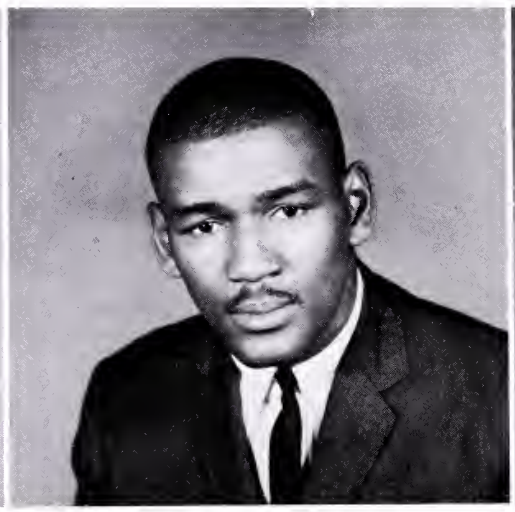

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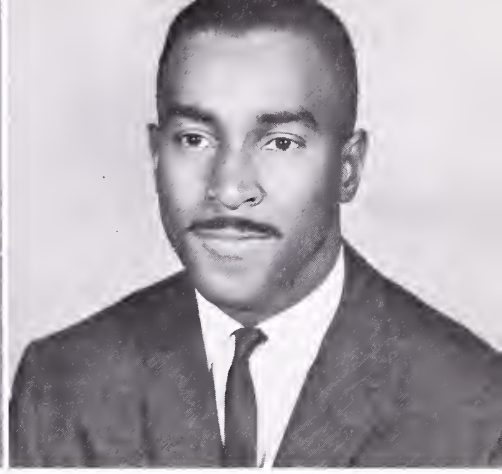

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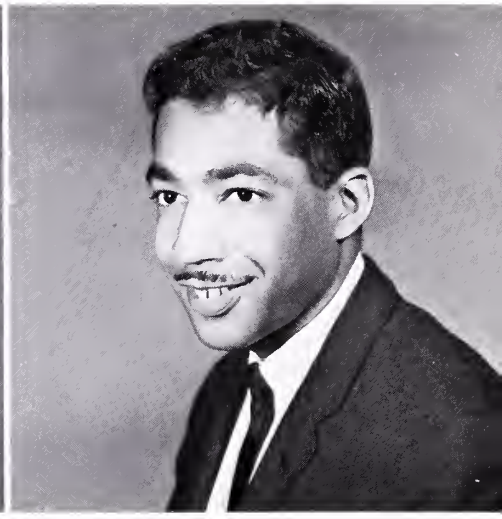

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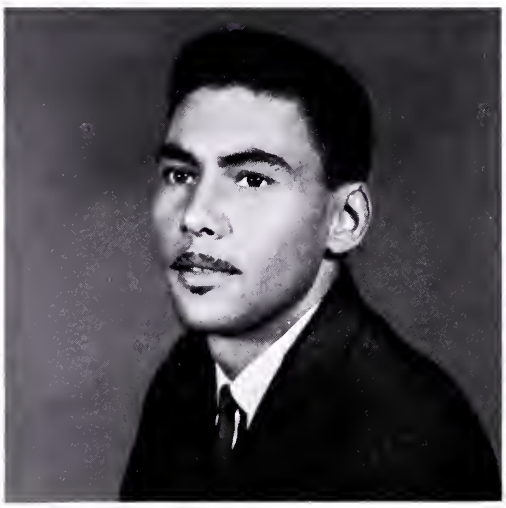

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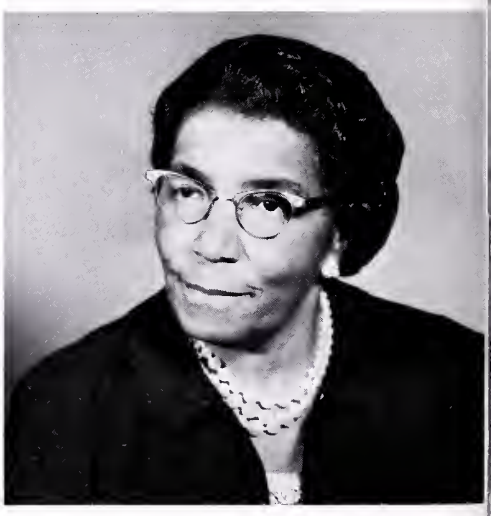

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ELSIE CHRISTINE BLAGMON
Ambition: Secretary
Motto: "Nothing can bring peace, but yourself."

JOAN BRAXTON
Ambition: Elementary Teacher
Motto: "Virtue lies in the struggle, not in the prize."

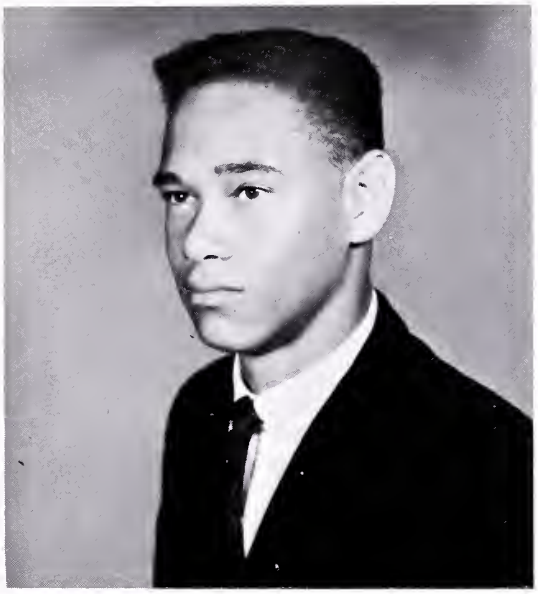
ROSIE BELLA BRAXTON
Ambition: Professional Singer
Motto: "If you don't think about the future, you cannot have one."

CAROL SHARON BUNDY
Ambition: Beautician
Motto: "God loves to help him who strives to help himself."

IVORY LORENE BUNDY
Ambition: To join the Marines
Motto: "Better to be small and shine than to be great and cast a shadow."

ELLEN TROY BURTON
Ambition: Medical Doctor
Motto: "Don't criticize others unless you have something better to offer."

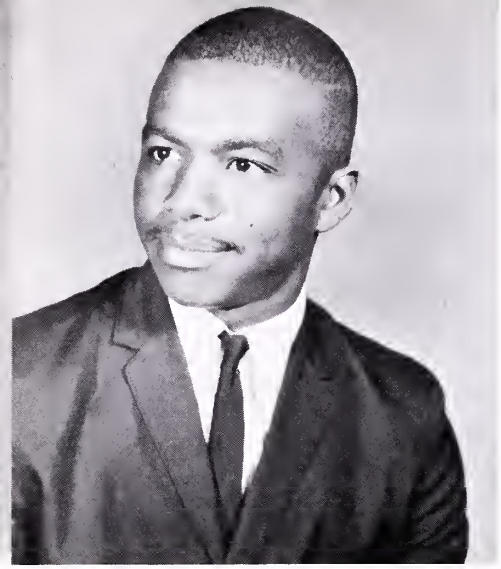
GENEVA BYRD
Ambition: Nurse
Motto: "To live each day as if it were my last."



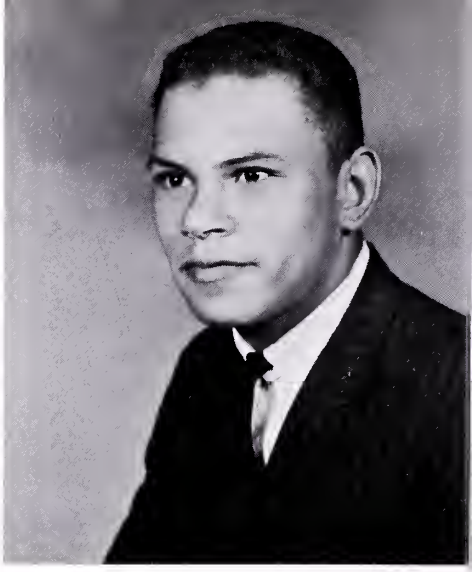
JAMES THOMAS BYRD
Ambition: T.V. Electronics
Motto: "Forward ever, backward never."

VIRGINIA ARLENE BYRD
Ambition: Mute Teacher
Motto: "Prepare for today, you never know what tomorrow will bring."

FLORANCE ELIZABETH ELLIS
Ambition: Beautician
Motto: "Beauty is only skin deep."



THOMAS ELLIS
Ambition:
Motto: "It is a very hard undertaking to seek to please everybody."

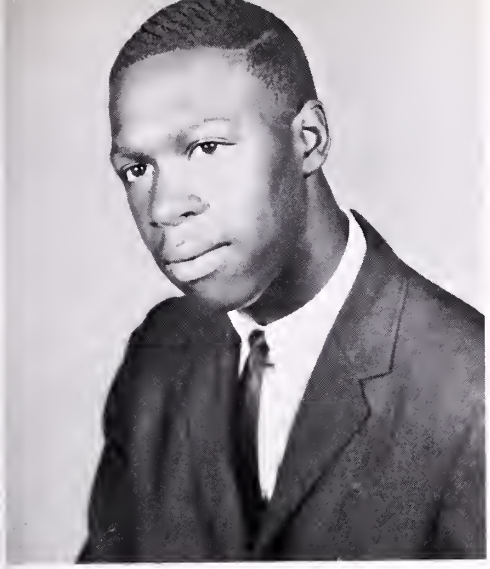


HERNDON ROLANDTHAW FORTUNE
Ambition: Optometrist
Motto: "Finish what you attempt."

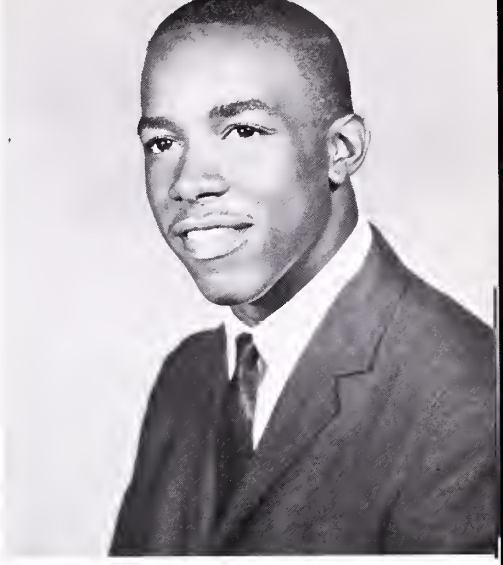
LAURA JANE FORTUNE
Ambition: Elementary Teacher
Motto: "It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice."

GLORIA MAE GILES
Ambition: Social Worker
Motto: "It is fatal to enter any war without the will to win."

CYNTHIA DELORIS GOLDEN
Ambition: Elementary Teacher
Motto: "You have climbed the hill, but the mountain lies ahead."



ROBERT LAFAYETTE GOLDEN
Ambition: Auto Mechanic
Motto: "Better late than never."



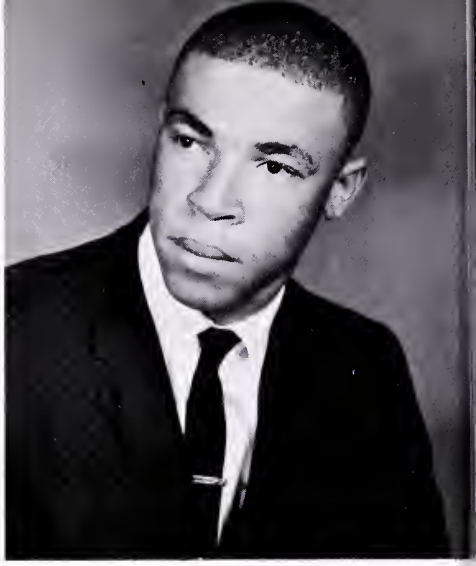
GARY ROGER GRAY
Ambition: Physical Education Teacher
Motto: "One can make it if one puts faith in God."

HELEN MARJORIE GREENE
Ambition: Elementary Education
Motto: "They are never alone that are accompanied with noble thoughts."

JUNE CONSTANCE HARRIS
Ambition: Social Worker
Motto: "Success is but a stairway; it has its ups and downs."

LEVI McCOY HARRIS
Ambition: Electrical Engineer
Motto: "It is easy for men to talk one thing and think another."

HOWARD RANDOLPH HENRY
Ambition: Auto Mechanic
Motto: "A man's mouth is his destruction."



CHARLES RUDOLPH HOLMES
Ambition: Auto Mechanic
Motto: "A man's word is his bond."

RONALD THOMAS JACKSON
Ambition: Electronic Engineer
Motto: "One's eyes are what one is, one's mouth is what one becomes."

WAYNE ELRIC JETER
Ambition: Diesel Mechanic
Motto: "Bow not to defeat, but struggle to victory."

CHASTINE WILBUR JOHNSON
Ambition: Mechanic
Motto: "God helps those who help themselves."

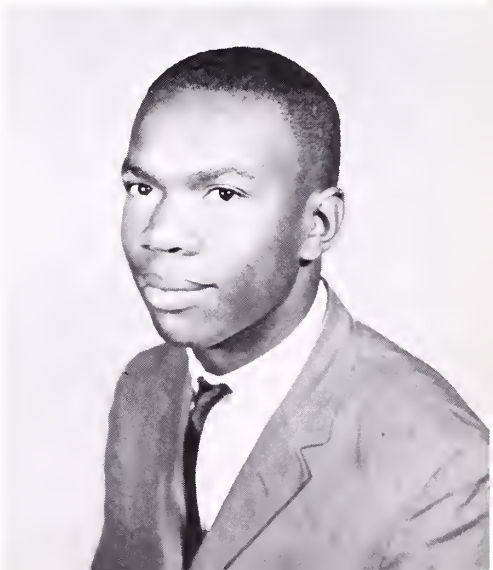
THELMA ELIZABETH JOHNSON
Ambition: Elementary Teacher
Motto: "Every sweet has its sour; every evil has its good."

THOMAS LEROY JOHNSON
Ambition: Brick Mason
Motto: "Let us be seen by our deeds."

LONNIE DAVUL JONES
Ambition: Artist
Motto: "To thine own self be true."

GOLDIE MAE JONES
Ambition: Secretary
Motto: "Smile and the whole world smiles with you, cry and you will cry alone."

RICHARD EDWARD LEE
Ambition: Auto Mechanic
Motto: "If you try and don't succeed try, try again."



CHRISTINE MOORE
Ambition: Research Biologist
Motto: "It matters not what you are thought to be, but what you are."

DELOIS OTELIA PAYTON
Ambition: Secretary
Motto: "Nothing is so difficult that it can't be found by seeking."

MABLE PRATT
Ambition: Dietician
Motto: "Live for today. Tomorrow may never come."

NORMA HELEN REYNOLDS
Ambition: Elementary Teacher
Motto: "The great art of learning is to understand but a little at a time."

GLORIA DONNETTA ROLLINS
Ambition: Secretary
Motto: "Character is a diamond that scratches at all other stones."

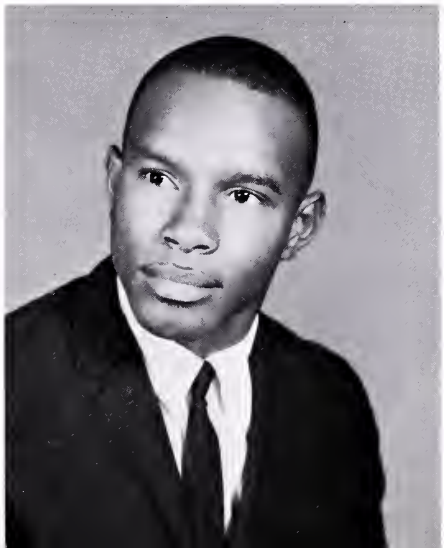
BARBARA JUNE SAUNDERS
Ambition: Secretary
Motto: "Take each day as it comes. Today is the tomorrow that you worried about yesterday."

LUCILLE STEWART
Ambition: Nurse
Motto: "All that I am and hope to be, I owe to my mother."

SAMUEL EDWARD TOMPKINS
Ambition: Engineer
Motto: "It is fully understood that you cannot get more out of life than what you put into it."

RICHARD OTHELL VAUGHAN
Ambition: Join Peace Corps
Motto: "Never put off until tomorrow that which you can do today."

KENNETH ROYLAND WASHINGTON
Ambition: Mechanic
Motto: "Put into life what you expect out of it."



LOUISE EVELYN WHITE
Ambition: Seamstress
Motto: "There is a time and a place for everything."

Class History

Looking back on happy days at Essex, the graduating class can now record its many memorable events and experiences.

We began our long journey in September of 1960 as shy freshmen. Here we were divided into two sections with Mrs. Hall and Mr. Jordan as sponsors. The class officers of Section A were elected: President-Virginia Byrd, Vice-President-Herndon Fortune, Secretary-Joan Braxton, Assistant Secretary-Troy Burton, Treasurer-Constance Harris and Sergeants at Arms-Charles Bundy and Robert Golden. The officers of Section B were President-Rosie Braxton, Vice-President-Mable Pratt, Secretary-Geneva Byrd, and Assistant Secretary-Elsie Blagmon. During this memorable year at the District Science-Math Conference, Troy Burton won third place in Mathematics 9, Ronald Jackson won fourth place in Mathematics 9, Helen Greene won second place in Mathematics 8 and Chastine Johnson won third place in Mathematics 8. During this year, the freshmen occupied a large portion of the Honor Roll. Among these were Christin Moore, Troy Burton, Gloria Giles, Ivory Bundy, Helen Greene, Constance Harris, Joan Braxton, Geneva Byrd, Thelma Johnson, Helen Reynolds, Elsie Blagmon and Virginia Byrd. We also participated in Science-Math, Library, NHA, and NFA Clubs.

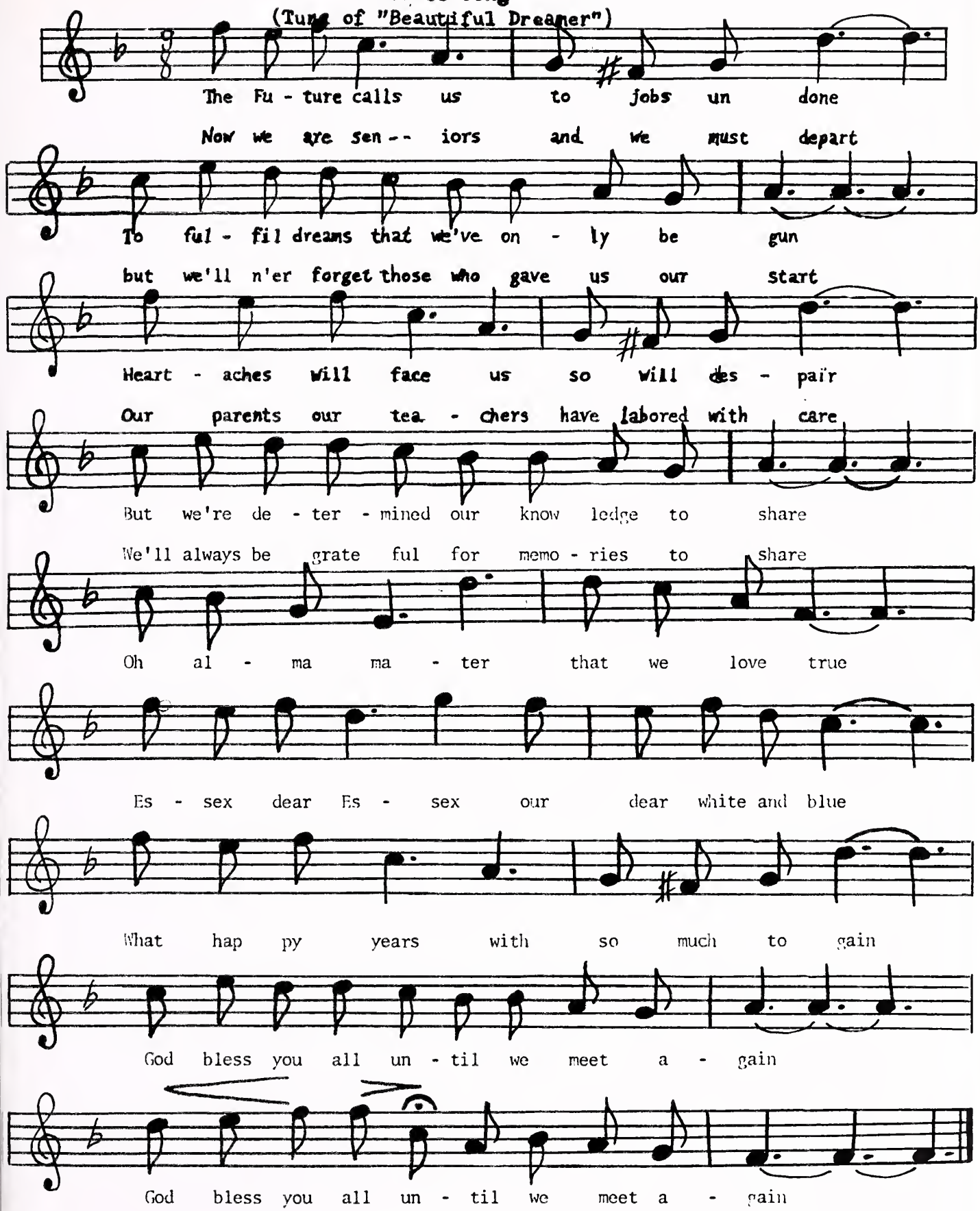
We entered school in 1961 a little more adjusted with Mr. Faulk and Mr. McGeachy as sponsors. Class officers of Section A were elected: President-Laura Fortune, Vice-President-Ronald Jackson, Secretary-Christine Moore, Assistant Secretary-Joan Braxton and Treasurer-Gloria Giles. The officers of Section B were also elected: President-Geneva Byrd, Vice-President-Elsie Blagmon, Secretary-Rosie Braxton and Assistant Secretary-Estelle Baker. This year we participated in many activities. Joan Braxton was a runner-up in the "Miss Essex Contest."

Our sophomore year of 1962 was very prosperous. Our sponsors were Mr. Faulk and Mr. Bates. The officers of Section A were elected: President-Laura Fortune, Vice-President-Virginia Byrd, Secretary-Christine Moore, Assistant Secretary-Geneva Byrd and Mr. Faulk served as treasurer. The officers of Section B were also elected: President-Richard Vaughan, Vice-President-Cary Gray, Secretary-Rosie Braxton, and Assistant Secretary-Elsie Blagmon. Laura Fortune brought honor to the tenth grade by being crowned "Miss Essex." At the District Science-Math Conference Ronald Jackson won first place in Geometry, Christine Moore won first place in Chemistry and Gloria Giles won second place in Chemistry. Here we again participated energetically in various clubs.

We entered our junior year with enthusiasm. The sponsors were Mr. Faulk and Miss Mills. The class officers were elected: President-Ronald Jackson, Vice-President-Constance Harris, Secretary-Joan Braxton, Assistant Secretary-Sylvia Thompson and Mr. Faulk served as treasurer. This year Joan Braxton, Rosie Braxton, Constance Harris, Laura Fortune, Elsie Blagmon and Helen Greene were great successes as members of the Cheering Squad. Ronald Jackson played outstanding basketball along with the rest of the team and led Essex to win the District Basketball Tournament. One of the most exciting affairs was the Junior-Senior Prom. The theme was "A Roman Holiday."

Class Song

(Tune of "Beautiful Dreamer")



Class Prophecy

Although we are a class of vivid imagination, we had never really visualized mentally that some day we would be the first nation to reach the moon--since there was quite a bit of controversy about Russia and the United States attempting to make that advancement in science. Neither did we realize that some of the most outstanding persons of this time were Essex High Graduates. One of these persons is Lonnie Jones who heads a chemical plant where he has assigned Chastine Johnson to work as his assistant. This year, certainly marks the beginning of a new era because the attempt to reach the moon was definitely a success. Robert Golden, the designer of the powerful astronautic aircraft, calculated its likely success. Because of Troy Burton's noted career in the Air Force, the designer chose her to help test the astronautic aircraft. After the prominent advancement, Gloria Giles wrote a science book entitled Life on the Moon.

After reading of the renowned progress of those members of my class, I, Joan Braxton, professor of Education at Howard University, where Herndon Fortune is president, decided to write my doctoral thesis on "The Advancement of the 1965 Graduates of Essex County High School, Tappahannock, Virginia."

I decided it would be effective to tour the many regions of the United States, and foreign countries as well, to converse with my classmates. First, I went to California where Geneva Byrd is an actress living in Beverly Hills. To my surprise, Levi Harris is her husband and manager.

My second day in California, Thomas Byrd, the governor of that state invited me to dinner in his mansion, for which he was celebrating his victory in being elected California's Governor. At the dinner I was pleased to discover that his private secretary was Barbara Saunders. It was a delightful surprise to see Kenneth Washington who is Supervisor of San Francisco Motor Corporation.

Since I had only a limited amount of time to remain in California, I went to the airport and boarded a jet-Pan American Airline--flown by Helen Reynolds, first woman jet pilot.

My trip this time brings me to Detroit, Michigan where Samuel Thompson has designed the GTO for the year. His wife, Helen Green, a retired teacher of business, now assists him.

Chicago, Illinois my next stop. Here I find Constance Harris, counselor for juvenile delinquents. She was reading a book on juvenile delinquents written by Charles Holmes, a minister and social worker.

I went to New York City after leaving Chicago. Here I learned that Rosie Braxton and Cynthia Golden have established a physical fitness school on 22nd Street. I also went to the Yankee Stadium to see Roger Gray play in the World Series with the New York Yankees.

While relaxing in one of my relative's homes, I turned on the television to watch the Andy William's Show. On the show, Mable Pratt stepped out for a performance. While reading the New York Times I was pleased to find that Wayne Jeter is the editor.

At the airport, I bought a Vogue magazine and Virginia Byrd and Elsie Blagmon were headlining the front cover.

I caught a bus to Philadelphia, and was informed that Goldie Jones had just been elected the new dean of women of the Barton University.

At John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, Carol Bundy is a RN. Carol's husband, Ronald Jackson, is the head surgeon.

In Washington I met Florence Ellis who was chosen as the best fashion designer of the year. She informed me that Laura Fortune is one of the most successful librarians at the Library of Congress. In Washington I also found out that Thomas Johnson was the newly elected member to the House of Representatives.

While in Washington I discovered that Christine Moore had moved to Paris and she was head of the Mathematics Department. Thelma Johnson also moved to Paris but she became displeased there so she returned to her home in Kentucky and got her old job back as business manager at Pearl Wright's Business School.

After visiting these key cities, I enplaned again for my home town. I flew over to Richmond, Virginia where I had been informed that Thomas Ellis is the new principal of the Lake View High School. On his staff I found Deloris Payton, Donnetta Rollins, Lucille Steward and Louise White, a new member of the staff.

Naturally, I anticipated finding someone back at Essex County High School. Not to my surprise I found out that Richard Vaughan had replaced Mr. Smith in the Day Trade Department.

This has been a wonderful tour. We will visit each other more frequently since we know each others destination.

Class Poem

Although we are departing from Essex High,
Our memories of this treasured time will never die.
Though we have had obstacles in our way,
We have managed to accomplish much every day.
For these things we are more than grateful;
To us, you have been extremely faithful.
It is here that we've built a foundation;
That we'll withstand the most challenging situations.

To our teachers and principal, we express our gratitude,
For such great ideals they instilled in us that will last thro' adulthood.
The teachers have performed their job very splendid;
We cannot acknowledge all the services they have rendered.
For all of these services we are greatly in debt;
For all of their devotion; for all of their help.
Whatever success in life we achieve,
A portion of the credit they must receive.

We look back over the years with joy and a sense of pride.
It will never be fully realized how hard we had to strive.
We are leaving our thanks and appreciation to you, dear Essex High,
Although we can never really say good-bye.
We hope in our hearts that Essex will continue to lead
All who strive to learn, grow and succeed.
Although we may never fulfill every dream of our hearts,
We feel sure that this period at Essex has given us ambitional starts.

CLASS MOTTO: Aim at the sun, and you may not reach it, but your arrow will fly higher than if aimed at an object on a level with yourself.

CLASS FLOWERS: Off white chrysanthemums

CLASS COLORS: Burgundy and Off White

MOST STUDIOUS: Gloria Giles
Ronald Jackson

MOST COURTEOUS: Gloria Giles
Thomas Johnson

BEST ALL AROUND: Rosie Braxton
Richard Vaughan

Senior

MOST ATHLETIC: Ivory Bundy
Ronald Jackson
Richard Vaughan

CUTEST: Elsie Blagmon
Howard Henry

MOST TALENTED: Rosie Braxton
Richard Vaughan

Superlatives

MOST DEPENDABLE: Constance Harris
Ronald Jackson

MOST ORIGINAL: Christine Moore
Ronald Jackson

BEST DRESSED: Constance Harris
Wayne Jeter

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED: Christine Moore
Ronald Jackson

NEATEST: Joan Braxton
Howard Henry

Senior

FRIENDLIEST: Rosie Braxton
Ronald Jackson

PRETTIEST: Elsie Blagmon
MOST HANDSOME: Wayne Jeter

CLASS LOVERS: Louise White
Howard Henry

Superlatives

WITTIEST: Ellen Burton
Samuel Tompkins

MOST COMICAL: Mable Pratt
Levi Harris

Last Will and Testament

We the Senior Class of 1965 of Essex County High School do hereby solemnly swear this to be our Last Will and Testament.

To the Eighth grade we leave four years of determination to reach the goal we have now reached.

To the Ninth grade we leave three years to improve their greatest weakness.

To the Tenth grade we leave two years of hard work and study.

To the Eleventh grade we leave one year to prepare for a successful career.

We the members of the Senior Class of Nineteen-Hundred Sixty-Five wish to leave to our principal, Mr. Cary and members of the faculty our greatest appreciation and deepest gratitude for their help and co-operation in helping us make our last year at Essex County High School a success.

I, Elsie Blagmon leave my ability to find a boy friend and be able to keep him to Patrica Wright and Sonia Dandridge.

I, Joan Braxton will my stepping ability to the future majorettes.

I, Rosie Braxton will my ability to slide through classes without getting any homework to Lois and Doris Richardson.

I, Carol Bundy leave pleasant ways to Queen Gardner.

I, Ivory Bundy leave my nice sweet ways to my sister, Barbara Bundy.

I, Ellen Burton leave my seat in Physics Class to my sister, Charlotte Burton.

I, Geneva Byrd leave my ability to get along with boys to Ellen Nelson.

I, James Byrd will my ability to act comical in class to James Phillips.

I, Virginia Byrd hereby will my well-rounded personality and my sweet ways to my cousin Jean Sayles.

I, Florance Ellis leave my cooking ability to anyone who wants it.

I, Thomas Ellis leave my ability to stay in class to Carolyn Clarke.

I, Herndon Fortune leave my ability to drive the bus to Elliott Young.

I, Laura Fortune leave my seat in typing to Alexander Monk.

I, Gloria Giles leave my studious mind to my sister, Phyllis Giles.

I, Cynthia Golden leave my height and weight to my sister, Mary Golden.

I, Robert Golden leave my ability to smoke at school without getting caught to Wilbert Johnson.

I, Gary Gray will my catching ability to Alexander Monk who tried to move me for two years.

I, Helen Greene leave my nice ways and sweet personality to Louise Clarke and hope she will improve in the future.

I, June Harris leave my pleasant smile to Gladys Richardson.

I, Levi Harris leave to Joe Pollard my ability to talk to any girl on campus.

I, Howard Henry leave my ability to correspond with girls to anyone who has trouble doing it.

I, Charles Holmes will my ability to drive the school bus to my brother, Andrew Holmes.

I, Ronald Jackson leave my basketball ability to Everett and Wayne Gray.

I, Wayne Jeter will my common sense to William Young.

I, Chastine Johnson leave my ability to miss every Monday out of school to Willie Muse.

I, Thelma Johnson leave my typing ability to Catherine Richardson.

I, Thomas Johnson leave my sly ways to Perry Smith.

I, Lonnie Jones bequeath my singing ability in Choir to Louis Vaugham and hope he will improve in the future.

I, Richard Lee leave my height to Maurice Gaines.

I, Christine Moore leave my dependability to Ella Johnson.

I, Delois Payton leave my ability to correspond with boys to Antonette Holmes.

I, Mable Pratt leave my friendly ways to Donna Broaddus.

I, Helen Reynolds leave my height to Shirley Rollins in hope that she grow a few inches taller.

I, Donnetta Rollins leave my typing ability to Rosa Smith.

I, Barbara Saunders leave my ability to use my study period wisely to Barbara Bundy.

I, Lucille Stewart leave my quietness to anyone who wants it.

I, Samuel Tompkins leave my ability to understand girls to Theodore Rollins.

I, Richard Vaughan will my ability to stay out of trouble to anyone who is man enough to take it up.

I, Kenneth Washington leave my English book to anyone who wants it.

I, Louise White leave my ability to succeed in Home Economics to Ruby Redman.

Witnesses:

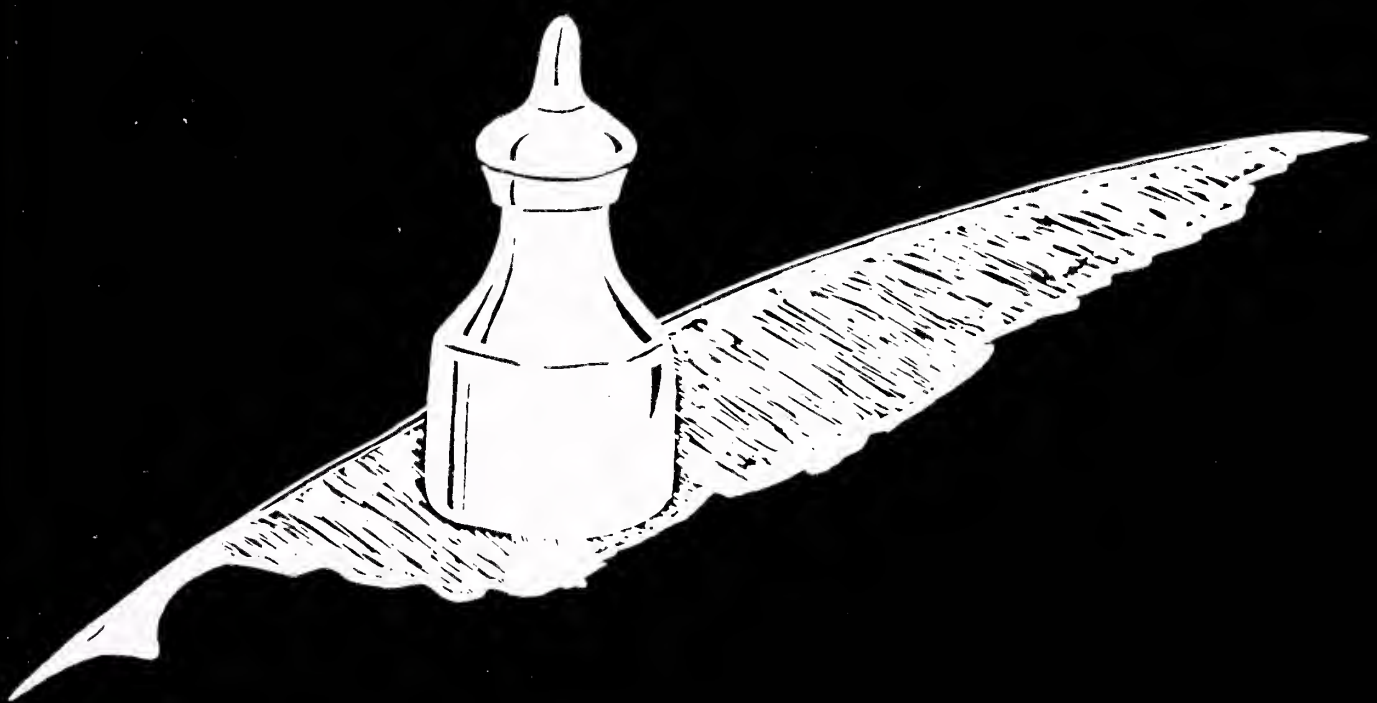
Mary Bundy

Elsie Blagmon

Helen Reynolds

Attorney-at Law:

Virginia A. Byrd



Underclassmen

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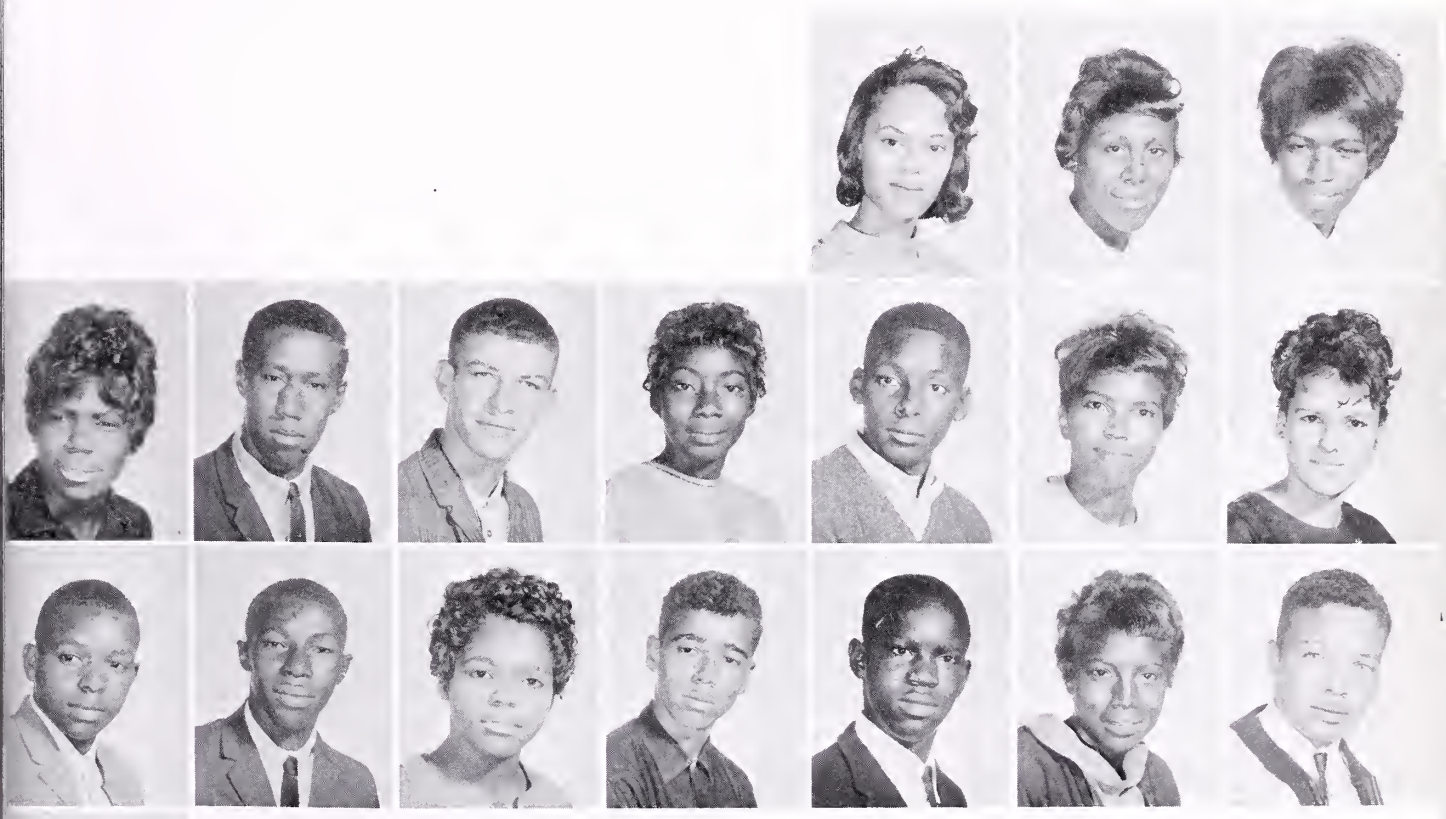

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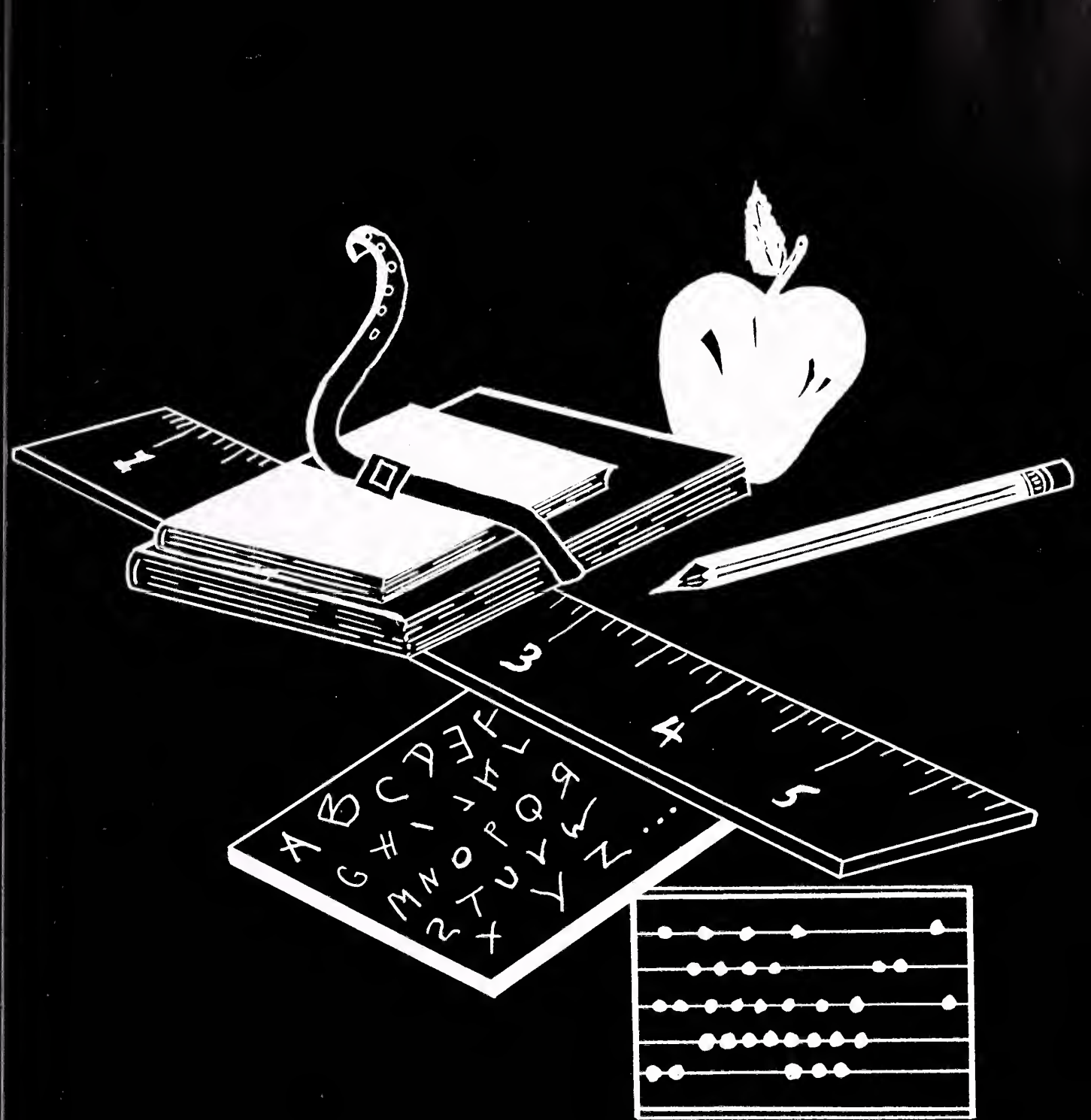

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Attended
Virginia State College
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Student Council

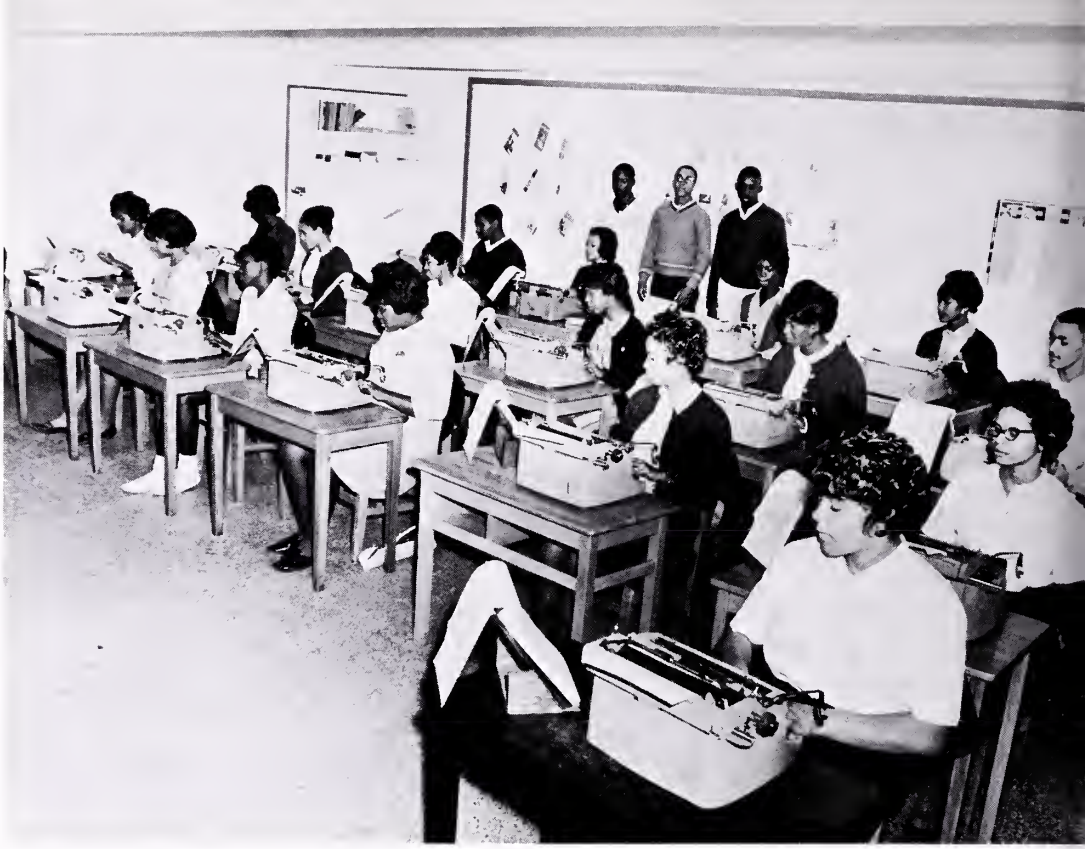
Seated left to right: Emogene Johnson, Assistant Secretary; Sandra Jackson, Secretary; Constance Harris, President; Shirley Blagmon, Treasurer; Phyllis Richardson, Parliamentarian. Standing left to right: Allen Baytop, Vice President; James Green, Chaplain; Rev. W. L. McDaniel, Advisor.

Activities

F.B.L.A.

The Future Business Leaders of America Club has its basic goal to acquaint its members with recent and changing trends in the business world.

Advisor:
Mrs. Matilda Cannon



Library Club

The Library Club is composed of students who like to read and who have common interests centering around the library activities of the school. The purposes of the school library club are to stimulate reading interests, to encourage and create interest among the students in libraries and library service and to improve the library program in the school.

Mrs. Anne C. Cary,
Librarian

French Club

Realizing the fact that there is an ever increasing need for an extended knowledge in the languages, the French Club has as its main objective, the fostering of a deeper appreciation for the foreign languages.

Advisor:
Miss Enda Mills

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society strives for National recognition for those students who show exceptional scholastic ability.

Advisor:
Mrs. E. R. McDaniel

Safety Patrol

The Safety Patrol at Essex is perhaps one of the most effective in this area. It is constantly striving to improve and encourage habits and behavior that would serve as safety measures at school, on the buses, and at home.

Advisor:
Mr. W. B. Gresham

Dramatics

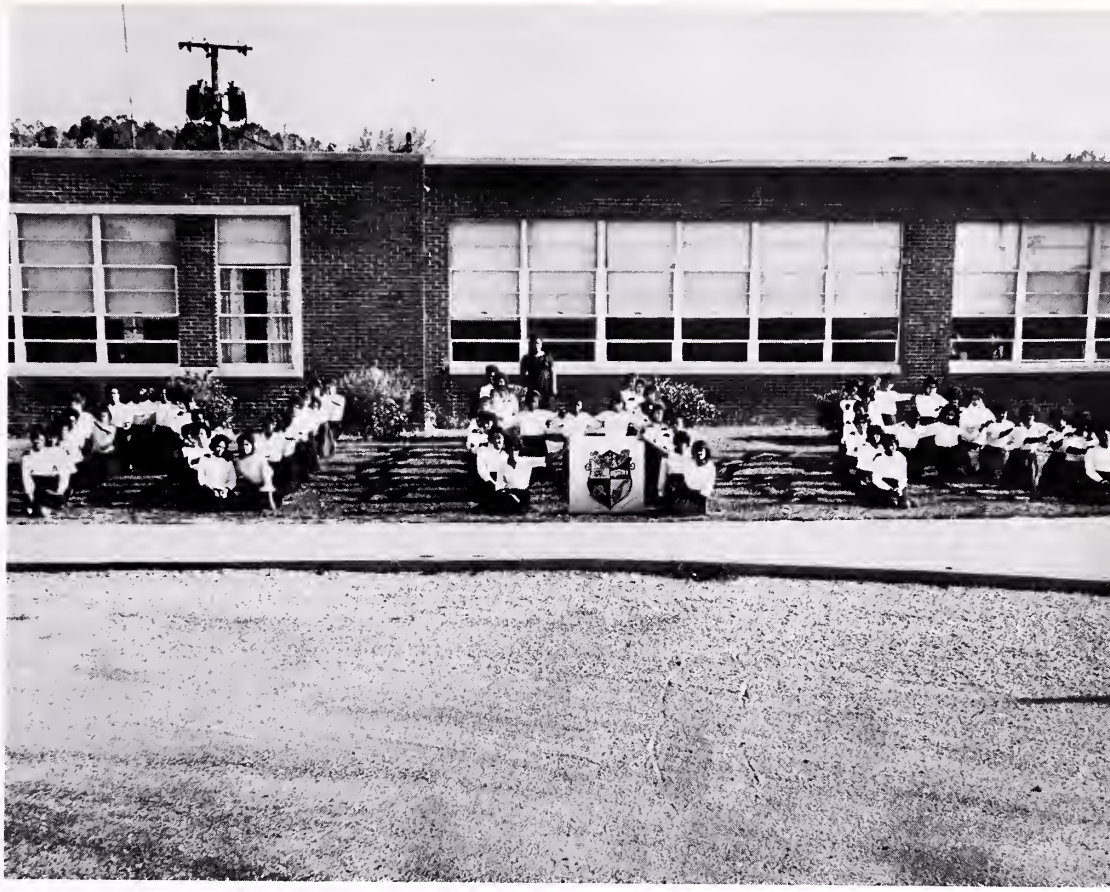
For those students who have special interests in acting, the Dramatics Club serves as an excellent source of experience. Emphasis is placed on analyzing characters and promoting a deeper appreciation for dramatics. Plans are being made for the annual drama Festival and a series of one-act plays to be presented in the spring.

Advisors: Mrs. E. R. McDaniel and Mrs. E. L. McNeil

NHA

The purpose of the New Home Makers of America is to acquaint students with the recent trends in Home Economics and to preserve experiences that will serve as a basis for efficient, well organized, and successful future home makers.

Advisor:
Mrs. Lucy Brown



Choir

The Essex High School mixed choir is composed of approximately 30 voices. Under the direction of Mr. Ronald Jordan, the choir performs splendidly on chapel programs and other special programs and concerts both at school and in the community.

Modern Dance Groups

The modern dance groups are new additions to the roster of Essex High School activities. Their basic aim is to create new dance steps and to instill within the student body a deeper appreciation for all types of dances.

Advisors:
Mrs. Effie Gaddy
Miss Vincent Ealy

The Essex High School Band

Mr. Ronald Jordan, Director

Science Club

The Science Club's chief purpose is to keep its members abreast with recent trends in all areas of science.

The members of this club and the instructors exchange opinions and views in addition to performing experiments and engaging in research projects that will enhance and promote sound, scientific, problem-solving experiences.

Advisors:
Mrs. E. R. McDaniel
Mr. W. Edwards
Mr. D. L. Smedley

Projectionist Club

The Projectionist Club is an organization of students whose purpose is to learn to operate the audio-visual equipment of the school. These students will assist teachers in the maintenance and operation of the equipment.

Advisor: Mr. J. H. Cary

Features

"Miss Essex" *DeNyce Baughan 10-A*

First Runner-Up

Mable Pratt
Class 12-B

Second Runner-Up

Barbara Bundy
Class 11-B

"Miss Essex Elementary" Donna Holmes 7-A

First Runner-Up

Kaye Roane
Class 6-A

Second Runner-Up

Carolyn Wormley
Class 3-A

"Miss Senior" *Mable Pratt*

Attendants to . . .

Elsie Blagmon

Miss Senior

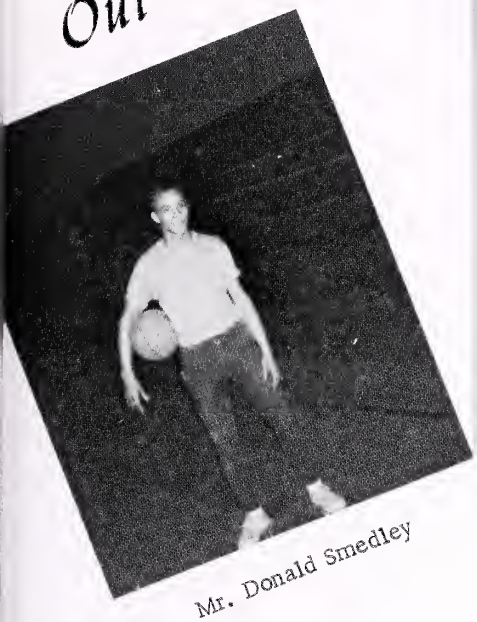
Gloria Giles

"Miss Junior" *Shirley Blagmon*

"Miss Sophomore" *Mary Golden*

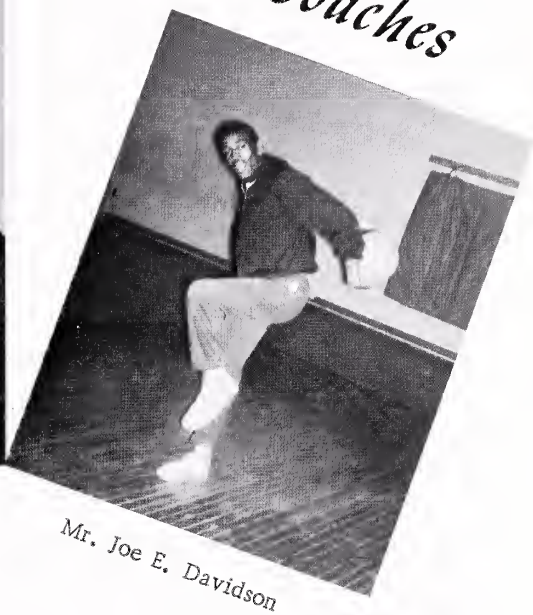
"Miss Freshman" Faye Young

Our Coaches



Mr. Donald Smedley

Miss Vincent Ealy



Mr. Joe E. Davidson

Cheering Squad

Athletics

Left to Right, Kneeling-Levi Harris, Thomas Jackson, Joe Pollard, Andrew Holmes and Standing Elliot Young, Coach J. Dean Davidson, Alexander Monk, William Greene, Samuel Courtney, Wayne Jeter, Gary Gray, Richard Vaughan, Ronald Jackson, William Young, Everette Gray, Wayne Gray, Wendell Holmes, James Reynolds, Herbert Hutchinson, Coach Mr. Donald Smedley.

Coaches: J. Dean Davidson
Mr. Donald Smedley

ROSTER

Courtney, Samuel-12
Gray, Everette-0
Gray, Gary-25
Greene, William-14
Gray, Wayne-23
Harris, Levi-23
Holmes, Andrew-11
Holmes, Wendell-33
Jackson, Ronald-15
Jackson, Thomas-5
Jeter, Wayne-5
Monk, Alexander-3
Pollard, Joe-33
Reynolds, James-4
Vaughan, Richard-3
Young, William-24

Coach: Mr. J. Dean Davidson
Asst. Coach: Mr. Donald Smedley
Trainers: Elliot Young
Herbert Hutchinson

Wayne Jeter, Richard Vaughan, Mr. J. Dean Davidson, Mr. Smedley, Ronald Jackson, Roger Gray.

Seniors

Richard Vaughan
Roger Gray

Ronald Jackson
Wayne Jeter

The Gray Brothers
Wayne and Everett

William Young
and
Alexander Monk

G.A.A.

The G. A. A. is another relatively new addition to the family of clubs on our campus. All effort and emphasis is placed on the gross importance of physical fitness.

Advisor:
Miss Vincent Ealy

Personnel

Bus Drivers (left to right): Fred Braxton, Johnnie Gaines, Arthur Welch, Howard Henry, Charles Holmes, Herndon Fortune, Samuel Tompkins, Richard Lee, (not shown) Lelia Greene, Rosie Blagmon, Mary Gardner, Elliot Young, William Greene and Allen Baytop.

Head Dietician: Margaret Banks, Assistants Mrs. Estelle Roane and Mrs. Rosie Blagmon.

Custodians: Alfred Johnson and Russell Thornton.

Student Life . . .

Virginia says ... "I'm lonely."

"Are you that studious?"

"Just watching the sights."

"Say hey, Dickie!"

"Love is strange!"

"See Lonnie, I'm the big bad wolf!"

"Waiting for the cafeteria to open."

"Just talking things over ..."

Campus Scenes

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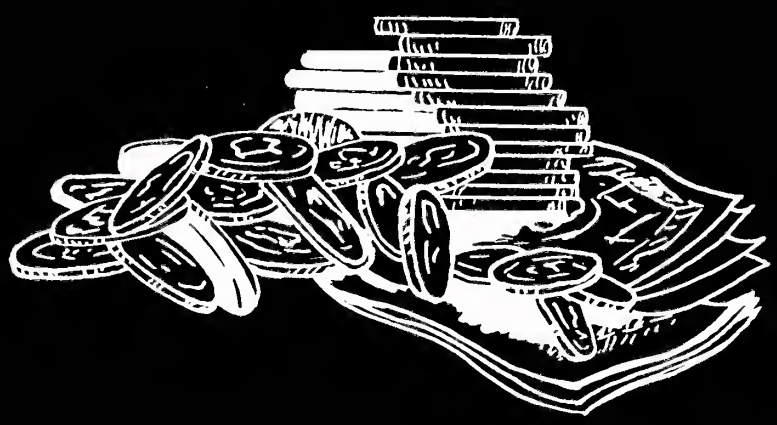

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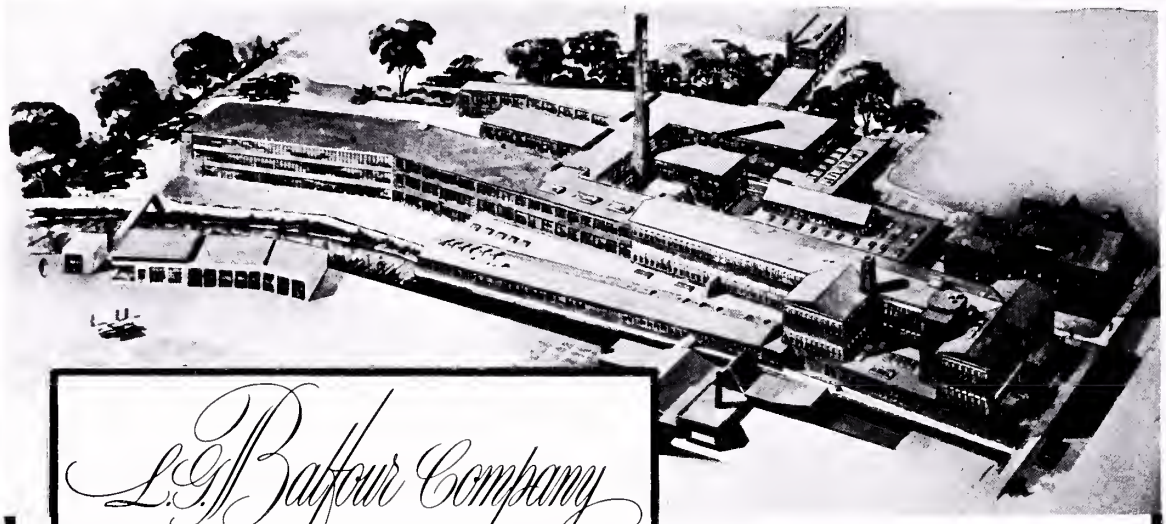

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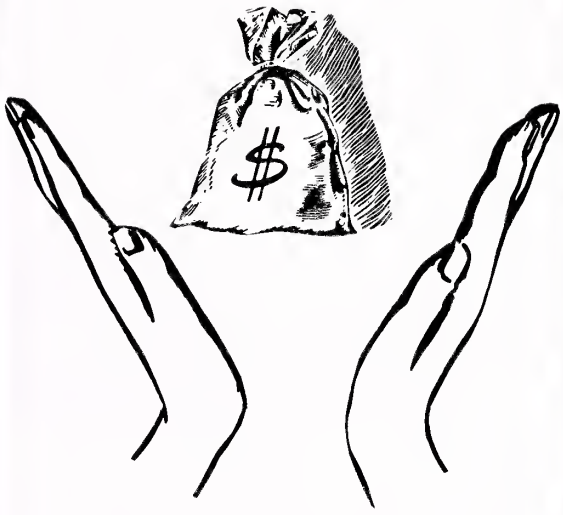

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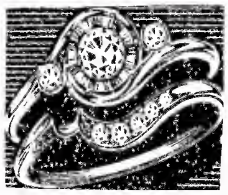

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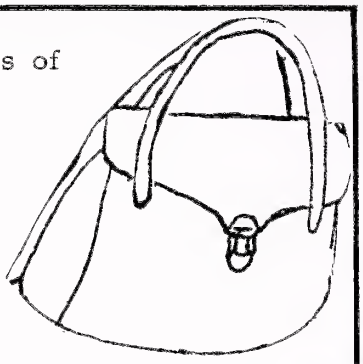

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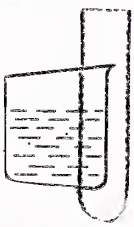

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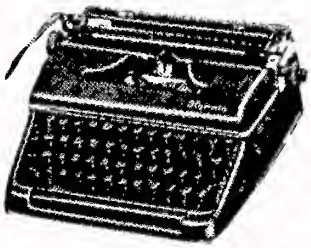

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ALMA MATER

Oh Essex brave! Dear Essex true!
With earnest hearts we pledge to you
Our pride, our love, our loyalty,
Through endless day and destiny.

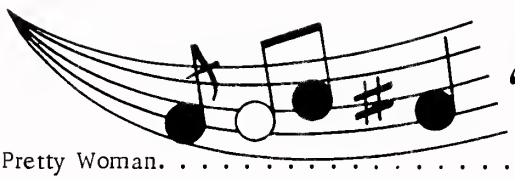
Chorus
Oh Essex brave! Dear Essex free!
Oh Essex is the place for me.
When it is time for me to die,
Just bring me here and let me lie.

We know you can never fail us,
And we shall never fail you.
For you we sing, Oh Essex true!
We had great victory always for you.

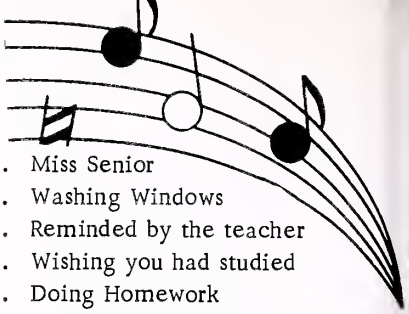
In you alone, we have our trust;
And hope you have the same in us.
For you we live, Oh Essex, too!
We will always be witness for you.

Jacqueline Dandridge 10A, Guest Artist

The end of another day . . .



Musical Moods



Pretty Woman	Miss Senior
On the Outside Looking In	Washing Windows
What I Say	Reminded by the teacher
After It's Too Late	Wishing you had studied
Hard Day's Night	Doing Homework
The Way You Do the Things You Do	Boy's Basketball Team
Steal Away	Cutting Class
I Who Have Nothing	Unprepared for Class
You Must Believe Me	A student getting demerits
Honkey Tonk	Band
The Bounce	Basketball Game
Dancing in the Street	Physical Ed.
Just One Look	Examination Time
Twist & Shout	Cheering Squad
Adorable One	Mr. Davidson
Somewhere Over the Rainbow	Class Reunion
Heat Wave	Stealing back to class
Can't Stay Away	Coming back after graduation
Chained & Bound	Louise & Howard
The Price	Four Years of hard study
Quiet Place	Library
Rhythm	Modern Dance Group
Please Don't Say No More	Roger Gray
20-75	Grading Scale
Needle in Haystack	Looking for an assignment
Can I Get a Witness	Wanted in the office
Busted	Graduation Expenses
Return to Sender	Mailing Out Report Cards
The Big Jerk	Ronald Jackson
I Want to Thank You	Mrs. McDaniel & Miss Mills
I'm Going Back to School	College Bound
Mercy, Mercy	Failing an exam
You Can Make It If You Try	Succeeding in your ambition
I Stand Accused	Cheating on a test
Come See About Me	Time of trouble
Ain't Nothing You Can Do	Accused by the teacher
Pride & Joy	Class Ring & Diploma
Tears of Joy	Crying after graduation
I'll Always Love You	E.C.H.S.
Easier Said Than Done	Explaining to Mr. Cary
To Time to Lose	Looking for a job
Time is on My Side	Finishing lunch a minute before the bell rings
Everything is Alright	Out of trouble
Confusion	In the hall
You Never Can Tell	The future
Bread & Butter	Cafeteria
Jump Back	Dramatic Club
Bread Without the Meat	Home Ec.
Swim	Shower
That's Where It's At	In the gym
It's Too Late	Starting to study
It May be the Last Time	Saying good-bye
Out of Sight	Cutting class
I'm So Proud	Cap & Gown
Having a Party	After prom

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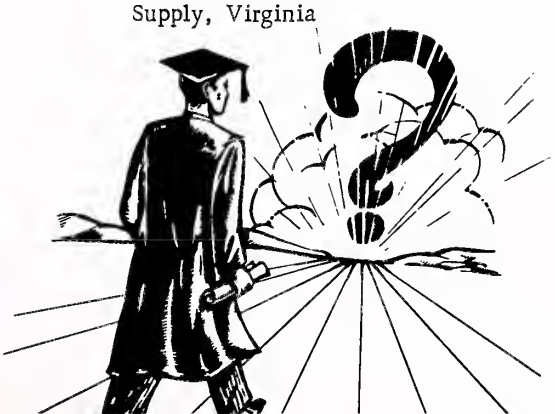

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